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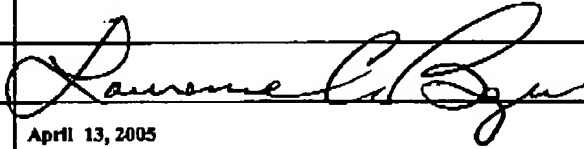
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For: SELECTIVE NON-CATALYTIC REDUCTION
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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction requirement dated November 12, 2004, and to the correspondence received from the patent office dated February 14, 2005, Applicants' response is as follows:

Relative to each of the items presented by the examiner, please note the following elections respective thereto.

- I a.) A fuel consisting of a tetrazole is elected;
- b.) An oxidizer consisting of an alkaline earth metal is elected; and
- c.) A slag former consisting of clay is elected.
- II A non-catalytic reducing compound consisting of ammonium sulfate is elected.

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The elected species is therefore a gas generant composition consisting only of a tetrazole, an alkaline earth metal, and clay. The elected non-catalytic reducing compound consists only of ammonium sulfate as a non-catalytic reducing compound. The claims readable therein are 3, 13 - 18, and 21 - 33.

Applicants concurrently petition for a one-month extension of time and have calculated an associated additional fee of \$120.00 to be due in connection with this paper. Our credit card authorization is included herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overage to Deposit Account No. 50-3238. If the Applicants can be of any further assistance, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number given below.

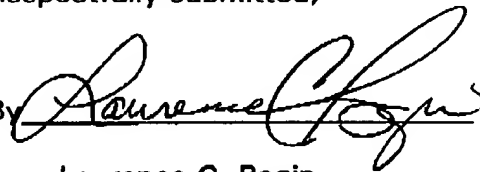
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